- 1 1. A method comprising:
- allowing the use of a first content on a content
- 3 receiver;
- 4 automatically interrupting the use of the first
- 5 content; and
- 6 causing the receiver to temporarily replace the
- 7 first content with second content.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1 including receiving said
- 2 first and second content over a broadband distribution
- 3 system.
- 1 3. The method of claim 2 including receiving
- 2 television programming.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1 wherein temporarily
- 2 replacing the first content with the second content
- 3 includes periodically replacing the first content with the
- 4 second content.
- 1 5. The method of claim 4 including replacing said
- 2 first content with advertising content.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1 including receiving digital
- 2 content and demodulating said content.

- 1 7. The method of claim 6 including parsing content
- 2 and control information.
- 1 8. The method claim 7 wherein parsing content from
- 2 control information includes parsing from said content,
- 3 instructions for determining when said content may be
- 4 interrupted.
- 1 9. The method of claim 7 including receiving
- 2 instructions from a back channel for controlling the
- 3 interruption of said content.
- 1 10. The method of claim 1 including receiving
- 2 encrypted content and controlling the decryption of said
- 3 content to prevent theft of said content.
- 1 11. An article comprising a medium for storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to:
- allow the use of a first content on the system;
- 4 automatically interrupt the use of the first
- 5 content; and
- 6 cause the system to temporarily replace the first
- 7 content with second content.
- 1 12. The article of claim 11 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based to receive said

- 3 first and second content over a broadband distribution
- 4 system.
- 1 13. The article of claim 12 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to
- 3 receive television programming.
- 1 14. The article of claim 11 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to
- 3 periodically replace the first content with the second
- 4 content.
- 1 15. The article of claim 11 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to
- 3 receive digital content and to demodulate said content.
- 1 16. The article of claim 15 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to parse
- 3 content from control information.
- 1 17. The article of claim 16 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to parse
- 3 from said content, instructions for determining when said
- 4 first content may be interrupted.

- 1 18. The article of claim 16 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to
- 3 receive instructions from a back channel for controlling
- 4 the interruption of said content.
- 1 19. The article of claim 11 further storing
- 2 instructions that enable a processor-based system to
- 3 receive encrypted content and control the decryption of
- 4 said content to prevent theft of said content.
- 1 20. A system comprising:
- 2 a receiver that receives the transmission of a
- 3 first and second content, said receiver including a shell;
- an encrypted cache coupled to said receiver; and
- said shell coupled to said cache to allow the use
- of first content received by said receiver, automatically
- 7 interrupt the use of the first content, and temporarily
- 8 replace the first content with second content.
- 1 21. The system of claim 20 wherein said system is a
- 2 television receiver.
- 1 22. The system of claim 20 coupled to a back channel
- 2 for receiving instructions about when to replace the first
- 3 content with the second content.

- 1 23. The system of claim 20 including a device that
- 2 parses content from instructions for replacing said first
- 3 content with said second content.
- 1 24. The system of claim 23 wherein said device also
- 2 parses instructions for how to store said first and second
- 3 content.
- 1 25. The system of claim 20 wherein said shell
- 2 periodically replaces the first content with the second
- 3 content.
- 1 26. The system of claim 20 wherein said receiver
- 2 includes a tuner that tunes to a digital channel and
- 3 demodulates said first and second content.
- 1 27. The system of claim 20 wherein said receiver
- 2 parses said first and second content from control
- 3 information.
- 1 28. The system of claim 27 wherein said receiver
- 2 parses from said first and second content, instructions for
- 3 determining when said first content may be interrupted.

- 1 29. The system of claim 20 wherein said shell
- 2 controls the decryption of said first content to prevent
- 3 theft of said first content.
- 1 30. The system of claim 24 including content guide
- 2 software that receives interruption instructions for
- 3 interrupting said first content and replacing it with said
- 4 second content.